Report for ARCTAS P-3 Data Flight #21 Flown 7 Jul 2008

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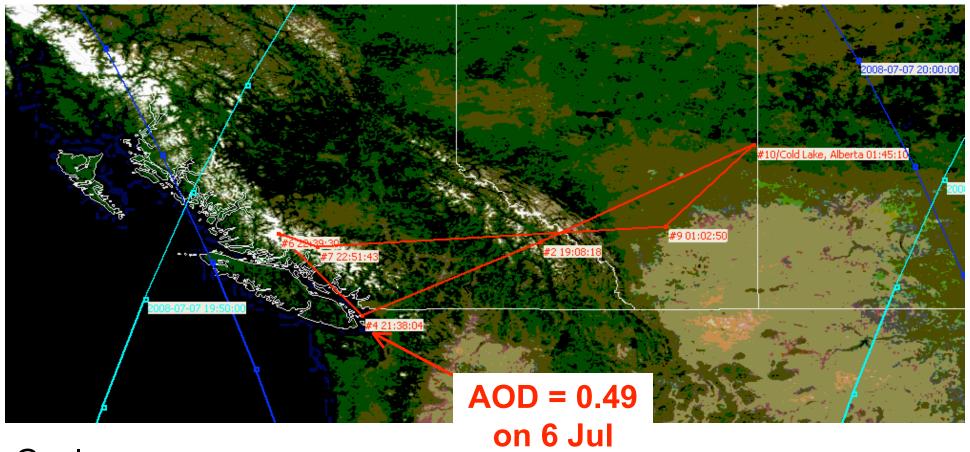
P3 Plan A Mon 7 Jul



Goals:

- 1.Asian-Siberian plume <u>above low cloud</u> in A-Train footprints (in situ aer, CO, O₃, rad gradient & stack, CAR cloud BRDF, CALIPSO val, aer effects on MODIS PM cloud retrievals)
- 2.Ice Field BRDF
- 3.Clear-sky work at WP 6 as fallback.

P3 Plan B Mon 7 Jul



Goals:

- 1.Asian-Siberian plume above <u>Saturn Island AERONET</u> (in situ aer, CO, O₃-AATS spiral, rad gradient & stack, CAR-AERONET)
- 2.Ice Field BRDF
- 3.Clear-sky work at WP 6 as fallback.



Summary:

A very successful flight that required combining elements of Plan A and Plan B while in flight, in response to very challenging cloud conditions. The in-flight changes required exceptionally good communication with collaborators on the ground, as well as a tremendous effort by the P-3 Pilots to execute desired maneuvers in challenging locations. Accomplishments are listed on next slide.



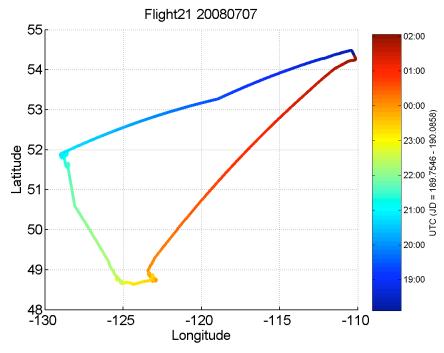
Accomplishments:

- 1.Aerosol radiative forcing efficiency (△F/△AOT) under edge of advancing Asian/Siberian plume
- 2.Aerosol effects on MODIS-Terra cloud remote sensing
- 3.Tests of model aerosol, CO, & O₃ predictions @ many locations
- 4.Radiant flux divergence stacks for SSA(λ) @ 2 locations
- **5.CAR circles over AERONET for CAR-AERONET retrievals**
- 6.3-way closure (in situ, AATS, AERONET) in spiral

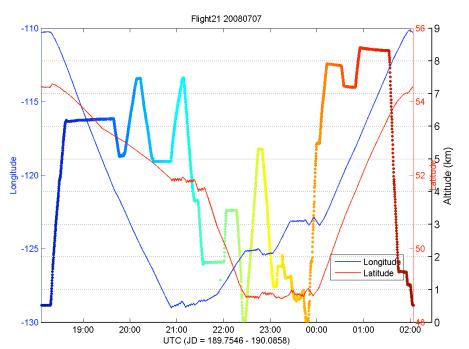


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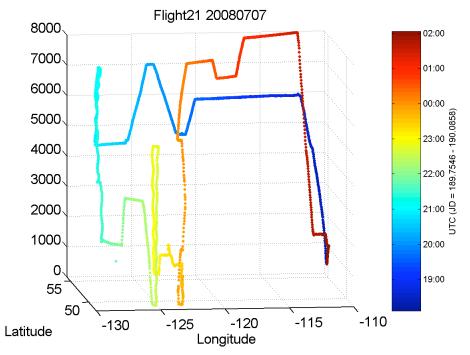
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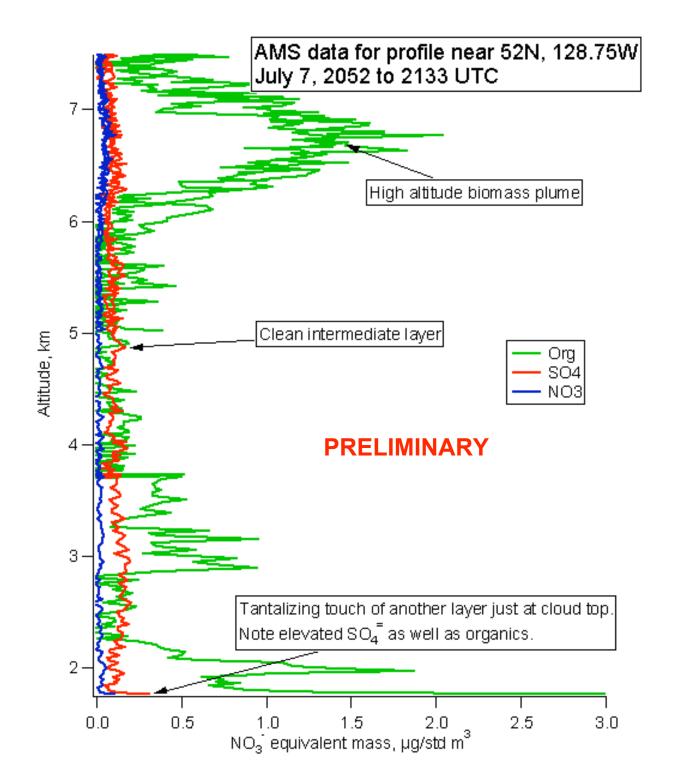
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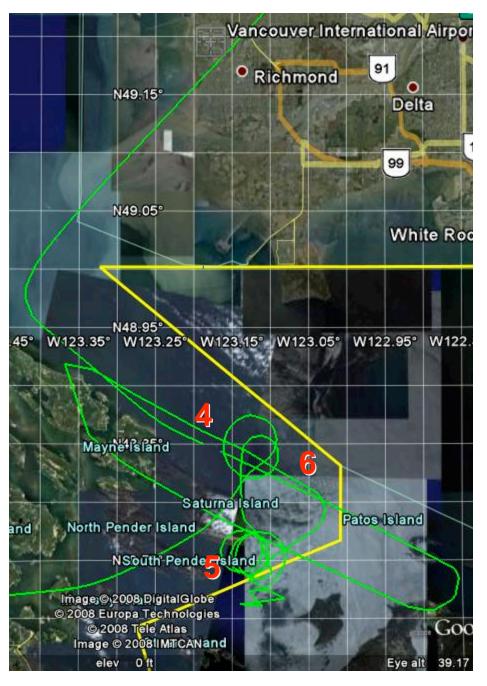
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